IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Anne LAQUEYRERIE, et al. GAU: SERIAL NO: New U.S. Application **EXAMINER:** FILED: Herewith MYCOBACTERIAL PROTEINS, MICROORGANISMS PRODUCING THEM AND THEIR USE FOR FOR: VACCINES AND FOR THE DETECTION OF TUBERCULOSIS REQUEST FOR PRIORITY COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313 SIR: Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/985,372, filed November 2, 2001, allowed, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120, which is divisional of 09/599,366 filed June 21, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,335,181 which is a Divisional of 09/132,528 filed August 11, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,221,353, which is a Divisional of 08/641,356 filed April 30, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,866,130, which is a Divisional of 08/382,184 filed February 1, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,714,593. ☐ Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. **Date Filed** §119(e): Application No. Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below. In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority: APPLICATION NUMBER MONTH/DAY/YEAR **COUNTRY** Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s) are submitted herewith ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304. filed ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. ; and ☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s) are submitted herewith will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee Respectfully Submitted, OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND, MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C. Norman F. Oblon Customer Number Registration No. 24,618 22850

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